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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to file a response to the January 12, 2006, Office Action in the above-referenced Application for three (3) months from April 12, 2006, to July 12, 2006. A check in the amount of \$510.00 as payment of the response-extension surcharge is enclosed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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